

Chapter 96 - SEX TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Footnotes:

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Editor's note— Ord. No. 2014-289-E, § 1, amended the Code by repealing former Ch. 96, §§ 96.101—96.104, in its entirety. Former Ch. 96 pertained to the sports and entertainment board, and derived from Ord. 79-971-597; Ord. 83-591-400; Ord. 84-293-173, Ord. 88-1052-530; Ord. 90-320-146; Ord. 98-836-E; and Ord. 2012-364-E. Subsequently, Ord. 2020-74-E, § 10, added a new Ch. 96.

Sec. 96.101. - Intent.

It is the intent of this Chapter to create an advisory body to the City Council to investigate the root causes of sex trafficking in the City and to develop effective measures to prevent sex trafficking, enhance public awareness of both the problems associated with sex trafficking and to recognize the characteristics of the sex trafficking trade and to advise the Council on potential policies and programs to further the City's goal of eliminating the sex trafficking trade in the City.

(Ord. 2020-74-E, § 10)

Sec. 96.102. - Establishment.

There is hereby established an advisory body to be known as the Sex Trafficking Survivors Leadership Council, hereinafter referred to as the Survivors Council. The Survivors Council shall be subject to all applicable public meetings and public records laws.

(Ord. 2020-74-E, § 10)

Sec. 96.103. - Membership; Terms; Composition.

The Survivors Council shall be composed of seven members selected by the Mayor and approved by the City Council. Each member shall be a sex trafficking survivor, who shall reside in Duval County or shall have significant business or financial interests in Duval County. In selecting potential Survivors Council members, the Mayor shall consult with recognized sex trafficking survivor organizations in Duval County. One City Council member shall be appointed by the City Council President and one employee of the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office shall be appointed by the Sheriff to serve as liaisons to the Survivors Council.

The Survivors Council members shall serve for a term of two years or until a successor has been appointed/confirmed by the City Council; provided that, of the initial appointments, three of the Survivors Council members shall serve for a three-year term and the remaining four members shall serve for a two-year term. Members of the Survivors Council may be appointed for consecutive terms consistent with general laws regulating service on City boards and commissions. Any member appointed to the Survivors Council for two consecutive full terms shall not be eligible for the next succeeding term.

(Ord. 2020-74-E, § 10)

Sec. 96.104. - Organization.

- (a) The Survivors Council shall meet at least quarterly at such times and places as are fixed by the rules of the Survivors Council. Special meetings shall be called in accordance with the rules of the Survivors Council. At its first regular scheduled meeting held after each October 1st, the Survivors Council shall elect from among its members a Chair and Vice Chair, who shall assume their positions immediately upon election.
- (b) The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Survivors Council and shall appoint the members of the various committees, task forces, study groups, and other bodies authorized by the Survivors Council in furtherance of its purposes.
- (c) The Survivors Council may adopt, amend, and rescind procedural rules of the Survivors Council to aid in implementing the provisions of this chapter. All reports, studies, and recommendations made by or at the direction of the Survivors Council shall be approved by the Survivors Council before the same may be presented to the City Council.
- (d) The Survivors Council may establish such committees from among its membership as it deems necessary to perform its functions. The Survivors Council may also, from time to time, authorize the establishment of task forces, study groups, and similar bodies to carry out specialized and detailed projects within the scope of its purposes. Any such body may include persons who are not members of the Survivors Council, but the Chair thereof shall be a Survivors Council member. The committee shall report on its progress to the Survivors Council at such times as the Survivors Council shall require. No report, study, or recommendation, favorable or adverse, may be made by any such committee unless the matter is approved by the Survivors Council.

(Ord. 2020-74-E, § 10)

Sec. 96.105. - Purpose and Duties.

The Survivors Council is established to accomplish the general purposes and duties as follows:

- (a) To study and make recommendations to the City Council, Mayor's Office, City Staff, and community stakeholders with respect to the root causes of sex trafficking in the City; developing effective measures to prevent sex trafficking, enhancing public awareness of the problems associated with sex trafficking and recognizing the characteristics of the sex trafficking trade.
- (b) To act as a motivating and coordinating body to encourage joint public and private participation in accomplishing the Survivors Council's goals and objectives.
- (c) To review and make recommendations, if necessary, to the City Council concerning potential policies and programs to further the City's goal of eliminating the sex trafficking trade in the City.
- (d) To provide the City Council with an annual report, due on September 30 of each year, regarding the state of sex trafficking in the City, including, but not limited to, the status and effectiveness of sex trafficking prevention efforts, public awareness campaigns and any challenges identified to the elimination of sex trafficking in the City.

(Ord. 2020-74-E, § 10)